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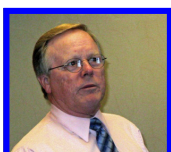
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CLUB WELCOMES NEW MEMBER HEIDI BENZONELLI

President Mark the First personally opened our 7th meeting in our 40th-41st year of service of our great club of Southwest Eureka California. Burnie Kemp led us in the Pledge of allegiance and John Gullam gave the invocation (thought of the day). Liz Ennis introduced visiting Rotarians and guests of Rotarians. We had a Rotarian visitor from Texas. Stu introduced his lovely wife Sharon. Don introduced Cassidy Banducci an Architect with JAG. Sid introduced 4 recipients of our vocational awards. Sunshine report was that Les is visiting an ailing relative. Please keep him in your thoughts. Marty LeMasters is doing well, Doc Koopmans said.

The Prez then thanked Don Hartman for running the meeting last week. Bob Burchit introduced Fiona who sang a lovely romantic song from 'The Light in the Piazza' (TLIP). The Three Eureka Clubs bought out the Van Duzer and sold Tickets to TLIP to help fund the backpacks program (thanks Bob for the suggestion and bringin Fiona). PP



Greg has tickets for our fish feed for \$15, it takes place at the Elks on September 12th. Doc Koopmans

announces the 2 week blood drive is starting on August 31st. John Gullam predicted our win...

Our exchange student 'Vip' from Thiland arrived last week (thank you Ken and Ravi and others who went up at the airport to welcome him. Vip is staying with our Prez. who took him to a scouting event in Willits (Vip is a Thai Scout). All had a good time and Vip was not cold in Willits (like he is here in Humboldt!). He is now at a Rotary orientation rafting trip with other exchange students.



Our President then introduced our new Vice President Scott Pesch. Thank you Scott for accepting the challenge, and for your service to our club!



Don Hartmann then reminded us of our membership drive called "One on One". This was an excellent segway into the most important event of the meeting.

The Prez introduced our inductee Heidi Bonzenelli. Heidi moved to Humboldt in 1984 from Tri Cities Washington, and raised her daughter Rosey as a single parent. She worked as a waitress, and telephone operator until Rosey was old enough for school then worked for the city school district until

Rosey graduated. In 1992, while working as a summer cook, her boss at the community center in Manila mentored Heidi through grant writing, budget justification and other phases of development of a project which was successful and has provided nutritional meals, nutrition education, and work experience to children and youth in poverty on the peninsula. This was a turning point in her life where she gained confidence that great things could be achieved with focused effort and passion.

In 2002 she entered the Environmental Resources Engineering Program with focus on energy and in 2004 started Real Solutions and focused primarily on residential energy efficiency and building energy analysis. In 2006 she began working as Special Projects Manager for the Manila CSD, helped develop a capital improvement plan, a backflow prevention plan, authored the Manila Annex Local Hazard Mitigation Plan. In 2007 she earned a bachelors degree from Humboldt State in Environmental Resources Engineering. In 2008 she began consulting for Redwood Coast Energy Authority and now works in house 1/2 time to manage all of the residential programs for RCEA.

In addition, she has served on the 50% waste reduction committee for the city of Eureka, the citizen's advisory group involved with acquisition of the

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Proposed New Member:

**Erin Mooney—Health
Promotion**

Proposed by:

Marty Lay



Jefferson School Property, the Northern California Unified Air Quality Management District Judiciary hearing board and on the Eureka

Energy Committee.

Her passion and service to the community include developing a Summer Food Service Program for children in poverty on the peninsula. She is an active member of the Redwood Coast Tsunami Work Group, and is in the process of helping the Community of Manila achieve Tsunami Ready Community Status. Every year she takes a week off and volunteers as the camp cook at the Manila Recreation, Pamplin Grove Summer camp.

Heidi received her badge, pin and rotary stuff. Our classy PP Jerry Colivas delivered the presidents charge. Welcome to the club Heidi!

Sid presented our vocational scholarship awards to 4 worthy recipients from Eureka High and Zoe Barnum.



Sunshine Reports

Don't be shy about sharing news about yourself or other members.

Contact: Jay Sooter

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Don Bachman took his lovely wife Helma to her homeland Germany on their 51st wedding anniversary. They spent many weeks cruising rivers, wine tasting, and enjoying medieval architecture. His fine migrated to Rick Roberts. Marty Lay was fined for a yet to happen anniversary. John Vance won the raffle.

Our program once again proved that our members give some of the best programs. Stu



Russell gave a talk and introduction of the 1916 Japanese invasion of Arizona. If interested talk to Stu. He provided a wealth of information on a little known event. Thanks Lew Q for mentioning it.

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Haider Ajina wrote this week's bulletin. Photos were provided by Liz Ennis.

THANK YOU!

UPCOMING:

August Programs:

28th Kit Crosby-Williams, the Emma Center

September:

11th—Meeting moved to 12th at Fish Feed

12th Fish Feed—Elks Lodge

October:

8th—Martinis by the Bay, Wharfinger